



REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of November 14th, 2005

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force

On November 16, 2005, Andre Davis was arrested by members of the Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF) and the U.S. Marshals Technical Operations Group (TOG). Davis was wanted for two separate murders that occurred in Southaven, Mississippi and Memphis, Tennessee. In May of 2005, Davis allegedly murdered a man in the southeast part of Memphis. On September 26 2005, Davis allegedly approached an unsuspecting 20-year-old female outside of an apartment complex in Mississippi and attacked her, dragging her by the hair toward his vehicle. Davis then began beating her with a handgun. After Davis put the victim in his car, he shot her in the chest at point blank range and fled the scene. Due to Davis' violent nature, this case has received significant media coverage and he has been profiled on FOX's television program *America's Most Wanted*. On November 16, 2005, investigators from the GLRFTF and TOG received information that Davis was hiding on the south side of Chicago. After conducting surveillance, Davis was located at a residence in Chicago. GLRFTF personnel proceeded to the location and, with the assistance of the Chicago Police Department K-9 unit, made entry and took him into custody. Davis was transported to Chicago's 1st District.



Andre Davis

**Wanted for Murder
(2 Counts)**

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force

On November 16, 2005, the NY/NJ Regional Fugitive Task Force (NY/NJ RFTF) arrested Troyvon McNair, aka "Sponge Bob" who was wanted by the Columbia, South Carolina Police Department for homicide. It is alleged that on October 2, 2005, McNair shot and killed a 15-year-old male victim who was sitting in a vehicle outside a local convenience store. The victim was struck once in the back and died as a result of severe loss of blood. Columbia police have labeled the shooting as gang-related. Personnel from the U.S. Marshals District of South Carolina and Technical Operations Group developed information that McNair was in the Essex County, New Jersey area and a collateral lead was sent to the NY/NJ RFTF. Further investigation led Task Force members to an address in Irvington, New Jersey where McNair was believed to be residing. Task Force members proceeded to the target location, gained entry and arrested McNair without incident. McNair was lodged in the Essex County Jail and is awaiting extradition to South Carolina.



Troyvon McNair

Wanted for Murder

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force

On November 15, 2005, Courtney Burke was arrested by the Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF) and deputy U.S. marshals from the Middle District of Georgia. Burke was wanted out of Warner Robins, Georgia on charges of aggravated assault and attempted murder. The charges stemmed from an incident that occurred earlier that day in which Burke opened fire on a carload of individuals, striking a female in the throat. The female, who was holding an infant at the time of the shooting, remains in critical condition. Local officers immediately contacted the SERFTF for assistance. The investigation revealed a possible location for the subject blocks away from the shooting site. Surveillance was established on an apartment, and at approximately 5:30 p.m., Burke was observed exiting the apartment. Burke attempted to flee on foot as investigators approached, but was subdued after a brief foot chase. Burke was armed with a 9mm Glock that was determined to be the same weapon used in the assault. Burke confessed to the shooting later that night. Burke has previous arrests for aggravated assault, and felony obstruction of officers.



Courtney Burke

**Wanted for
Aggravated Assault
and Attempted
Murder**

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force

On June 22, 2005, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officers responded to NE Washington, D.C. for a reported shooting. Upon arrival, officers located a victim suffering from gun shot wounds to the head. The Deputy Chief Medical Examiner pronounced him dead and ruled the death a homicide by fatal gun shots to the head. Detectives from MPD began a thorough investigation and found several witnesses to the incident. Thomas Harris Jr. was identified and on November 10, 2005, a warrant was issued charging Harris with murder II while armed. On that same day, the case was turned over to the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) for investigation. CARFTF officers pursued Harris relentlessly for several days and on November 18, 2005, located him at an apartment in Silver Spring, Maryland where he was taken into custody.



Thomas Harris Jr.

Wanted for Murder